

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

G1 1. (Currently Amended) A method for preparing a red ginseng processing Panax spp., comprising the step of steaming Panax spp. under an the oxygen-enriched atmosphere.

2. (Original) The method according to Claim 1, wherein the oxygen-enriched atmosphere contains 50% or more of oxygen.

3. (Original) The method according to Claim 1, wherein Panax spp. is a dried or undried root of *Panax ginseng*, *Panax quinquefolia*, *Panax notoginseng* or *Panax japonica*.

G2 4. (Currently Amended) A steamed processed Panax spp. prepared ~~obtained~~ by the method according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3.~~

5. (Currently Added) The method according to claim 1, wherein Panax spp. is heated in an autoclave under at least 1 atm. of oxygen for at least about 3 hours.

G3 6. (Currently Added) ~~An extract of~~ A steamed Panax spp. prepared ~~according to~~ by the method according to ~~of~~ claim 2.

7. (Currently Added) ~~An extract of~~ A steamed Panax spp.

*As* prepared ~~according to~~ by the method according to ~~of~~ claim 3.

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